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SUBJ: SADAT DENOUNCES NEW SYRIAN MILITARY CAMPAIGN

1. DURING COURSE OF LONG SPEECH IN COMMEMORATION OF SIXTH ANNIVERSARY NASSER'S DEATH, SADAT ANNOUNCED THAT TODAY HE HAD LEARNED THAT SYRIA HAD LAUNCHED A MAJOR MILITARY ATTACK IN LEBANESE MOUNTAINS TO DESTROY PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE AND SABOTAGE ARAB PEACE EFFORTS. KAMAL ADHAM HAS ARRIVED IN CAIRO AND SADAT SAID HE WAS ALREADY IN TOUCH WITH KING KHALID, SARKIS AND OTHERS TO DO WHAT CAN BE DONE TO CONTAIN WHAT IS NOW HAPPENING IN LEBANON. SADAT SAID ALL ARAB HEARTS ARE BLEEDING AND TODAY WILL BE BLACK SOFT IN ARAB HISTORY.

2. SADAT SUGGESTED THAT SYRIANS WERE USING TERRORIST ATTACK ON HOTEL SEMIRAMIS AS JUSTIFICATION FOR LAUNCHING ONSLAUGHT AGAINST PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE. HOWEVER,
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HE WONDERED IF THIS WAS NOT ANOTHER DECEPTION FOR WHICH

BAATH PARTY IS SO FAMOUS. HE REITERATED THAT SYRIAN
AIM IS LIQUIDATION OF PLO AND PROGRESSIVES OF
KAMAL JUMBLATT (WHO IN AUDIENCE). PRESIDENT ASKED IN WHOSE
INTEREST SYRIAN ATTACK HAD BEEN LAUNCHED. ALL ARABS ARE LOSERS AND
HE CONVINCED THAT SYRIA IS ALREADY LOSER NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS AND
THAT ONLY CONCEIVABLE WINNER IS ISRAEL (NO MENTION OF CHAMOUN OR
CHRISTIANS). SPEECH CONTINUING.
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